

## ABSTRACT

According to the present invention, there is provided a method for forming a  
5 mark having superior conspicuity, wherein plural plating layers each having a  
different hue are formed on a base, a portion of the upper plating layer is removed by  
laser marking so as to reveal the color of the lower plating layer, and thereby the color  
difference between a mark and the upper plating layer is made clear. Further, after  
the upper plating layer is removed by laser marking, another plating layer may be  
10 applied to a mark portion to make the mark conspicuous. Furthermore, a concave  
portion or concavo-convex portions may be provided on the surface of the plating  
layers, and the concave portion or concavo-convex portions may be colored with ink  
or paint. With these methods, it is possible to easily form a colored mark having  
superior conspicuity, corrosion resistance, adhesion, abrasion resistance and to  
15 produce a product bearing such a mark.